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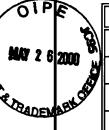
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WHEREAS, we, Charles S. Taylor, a citizen of the United States residing at 4380 26th Street, San Francisco, California 94131; William N. Aldrich, a citizen of the United States residing at 111 Lexington Avenue, Redwood City, California 94062; Federico J. Benetti, a citizen of Argentina residing at Entre Rios, 134-6 Piso, 2000 Rosario - Santa Fe, Argentina; Richard S. Ginn, a citizen of the United States residing at 297 Marti Way, San Jose, California 95138; Dwight P. Morejohn, a citizen of the United States residing at 731 North Campus Way, Davis, California 95616; Brent Regan, a citizen of the United States residing at 26180 Road 97, Davis, California 95616; Eugene E. Reis, a citizen of the United States residing at 90 Rankin Avenue, San Jose, California 95110; Ivan Sepetka, a citizen of the United States residing at 346 Costello Court, Los Altos, California 94024; and William F. Witt, a citizen of the United States residing at 3809 Carlson Circle, Palo Alto, California 94306 (hereinafter referred to collectively as "ASSIGNORS"), have invented and own a certain invention entitled "ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION," for which application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been executed on July 30, 1997 as U.S. Application Serial No. 08/903,516; and

WHEREAS, CARDIOTHORACIC SYSTEMS, INC., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California and having its principal

place of business at 10600 North Tantau Avenue, Cupertino, California 95014-0739 (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title and interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States of America, its territorial possessions and in any and all countries foreign thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and to all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, not only in the United States and its territorial possessions, but in all countries foreign thereto, to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute or reissue thereof or any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including all priority rights under the International Convention; and ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to issue said Letters Patent and any legal equivalent thereof to said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this Assignment.

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